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WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU CLARIFIES SCOPE OF COMMENTS SOUGHT IN 800 MHZ PUBLIC SAFETY PROCEEDING (WT DOCKET 02-55)

Comments Due September 23, 2002

On September 6, 2002, the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau released a Public Notice¹ inviting comment on a "Consensus Proposal" band plan described in a reply comment in the 800 MHz public safety proceeding (WT Docket No. 02-55). Interested parties have inquired whether comments may also be filed on other band plans or proposals advanced in the reply comments WT Docket No. 02-55. We clarify that all such comments are welcome and further our efforts to develop a complete record in this proceeding consistent with the comment period established in the *September 6th Public Notice*.

All proposals advanced or referenced in the reply comments may be reviewed on the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS). Access the main FCC web page at www.fcc.gov. From the menu at the top of the screen, select "Search." On the search page, scroll down and select "Search for Filed Comments – ECFS." On the "Search for Filed Comments" screen, enter "02-55" in the "Proceeding" box and select "RC" in the "Document Type" box. Scroll down and click on the "Retrieve Document List" button. Reply comments may then be accessed by clicking "view" for each desired reply comment.

We request that such comments be filed on or before **September 23, 2002**. In addition, reply comments are available for inspection and duplication during regular business hours in the FCC Reference Information Center (RIC) of the Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, S.W., Room CY-A257, Washington, D.C. 20554. Copies of the reply comments may be purchased from the Commission's duplicating contractor, Qualex International, Portals II, 445 12th Street, S.W., Room CY-B402, Washington, D.C. 20554, (202) 863-2893, facsimile (202) 863-2898, or via e-mail qualexint@aol.com. For further information regarding the public reference file for this Public Notice, contact Maria Ringold, Chief, Wireless Branch, RIC, (202) 418-1355, with reference to the DA number of this *Public Notice*.

Comments may be filed using the ECFS or by filing paper copies. See Electronic Filing of Documents in Rule Making Proceedings, 63 Fed. Reg. 24121 (1988). Comments filed through the ECFS

¹ Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Seeks Comment on "Consensus Plan" Filed in The 800 MHz Public Safety Interference Proceeding, *Public Notice*, DA 02-2202 (released Sept. 6, 2002) (September 6th Public Notice).

can be sent as an electronic file via the Internet to <http://www.fcc.gov/e-file/ecfs.html>. In completing the transmittal screen, commenters should include their full name, U.S. Postal Service mailing address, and the docket number "02-55."

Parties may also submit an electronic comment by Internet e-mail. To get filing instructions for e-mail comments, commenters should send an e-mail to ecfs@fcc.gov, and should include the following words in the body of the message: "get form <your e-mail address>." A sample form and directions will be sent in reply. Parties who choose to file by paper must file an original and four copies of each filing. Filings can be sent by hand or messenger delivery, by commercial overnight courier, or by first-class or overnight U.S. Postal Service mail (although we continue to experience delays in receiving U.S. Postal Service mail). The Commission's contractor, Vistrionix, Inc., will receive hand-delivered or messenger-delivered paper filings for the Commission's Secretary at 236 Massachusetts Ave., N.E., Suite 110, Washington, D.C., 20002. The filing hours at this location are 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. All hand deliveries must be held together with rubber bands or fasteners. Any envelopes must be disposed of before entering the building. Commercial overnight mail (other than U.S. Postal Service Express Mail or Priority Mail) must be sent to 9300 East Hampton Drive, Capitol Heights, MD 20743. U.S. Postal Service first-class mail, Express Mail, and Priority Mail should be addressed to 445 12th Street, SW, Washington, D.C. 20554. All filings must be addressed to the Commission's Secretary, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission.

We remind parties that, pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's ex parte rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206, this rulemaking proceeding is a permit-but-disclose proceeding. Provided they are disclosed in accordance with the Commission's rules, ex parte presentations are permitted, except during the Sunshine Agenda period.

Action by the Chief, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau.